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| <b>For:</b> TREATMENT COMPOSITION FOR<br>REDUCING ACRYLAMIDE IN<br>FOOD PRODUCTS AND FOOD<br>INTERMEDIATES | (GMI0028/US)                         |

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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.132

Dear Sir or Madam:

We, David W. Plank and Douglas J. Novak, hereby state the following:

1. We ("Inventors Plank and Novak") are named inventors of the above captioned patent application.
2. We are also named inventors of the Published US Patent application number 2004/0180129.
3. We have reviewed the claims presented in the above captioned patent application and the content of the above cited Published US Patent application.

4. In support of our research, we conducted and/or or directed a number of experiments to show the effect of cyclodextrins on the generation of acrylamide during heating of food products.

5. The above cited Published US Patent application, and in particular any disclosure describing immersing a heated food product in a composition including alpha, beta and/or gamma cyclodextrin and a carrier to coat the food product and then cooking the food product, describes concepts developed by us and experimental work performed by us or on our behalf.

6. The invention as claimed in instant claims 8, 9, 14-15, 22-25, and 27-29 was invented by Inventors Plank and Novak.

7. The portions of the above cited Published US Patent application relevant to claims 8, 9, 14-15, 22-25, and 27-29 originated with or were obtained from Inventors Plank and Novak of the present application.

8. I further believe that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true, and further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent issuing thereon.

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